



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 05636.0030-00000

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Akira ISHIBASHI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1713  
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Application No.: 09/210,539 ) Examiner: K. C. Egwim  
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Filed: December 14, 1998 )  
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For: FORMED ARTICLE OF )  
DEGRADABLE RESIN )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

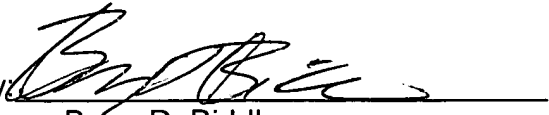
Applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time to file a submission in furtherance of the Notice of Appeal filed on January 6, 2004. A fee of \$420.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this submission and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: May 6, 2004

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